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Boston, September 28, 1920.

American Numismatic Society,
Mr. Sidney P. Noe, Librarian,

Dear Sir:

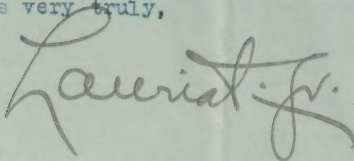
I had the pleasure of a call from Mr. Field a few days ago, and knowing he was interested in books on Coins, I showed him those on the enclosed list.

He wished me to send this list to you and to say that if there are any that the library would care to have, he would be very pleased to present them. ~~to it,~~

Will you kindly check up this list at your convenience, and I will send them on at once.

If you have a different edition of some of these books mentioned, and would like to compare this one now offered, I will be very pleased to send it on for your examination.

Yours very truly,



Broadway & 157th St.,
New York City.

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LIST OF BOOKS

sent to

MR. SIDNEY P. NOE, LIBRARIAN, AMERICAN NUMISMATIC SOCIETY.

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- SERIES AUGUSTORUM, AUGUSTARUM, CAESARUM, ET TYRANNORUM OMNIUM,
Tam in Oriente, quam in Occidente, A. C. I. Caesare ad
Leopoldum. Cum Eorumdem Imaginibus Ex Optimorum
Numismatum fide ad Vivum Expressis. Auctore Laurentio
Patarol., 8vo., half calf, Venetiis 1702,
- A NUMISMATIC MANUAL, by John Yonge Akerman, Corresponding Member of
the Society of Antiquaries of Scotland, Hon. Member of
the Society of Antiquaries of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, and
one of the Hon. Secretaries of the Numismatic Society of
London, 8vo., full calf, London 1840,
- THE SILVER COINS OF ENGLAND, Arranged and Described with Remarks
on British Money previous to the Saxon Dynasties; by
Edward Hawkins, 8vo., half morocco, London 1841,
- EX LIBRIS XXIII COMMENTARIORUM IN UETERA IMPERATORUM ROMANORUM
NUMISMATA AENEAE VICI, LIBER PRIMUS, square 8vo.,
full morocco, Venetiis 1562,
- THE COINAGE OF THE BRITISH EMPIRE: An Outline of the Progress
of the Coinage in Great Britain and her Dependencies,
From the Earliest Period to the Present Time; by
Henry Noel Humphreys, illustrated by facsimiles of the
Coins of each Period., worked in gold, silver and
copper; square 8vo., 3/4 morocco, London 1855,
- ANNALS OF THE COINAGE OF GREAT BRITAIN AND ITS DEPENDENCIES;
From the Earliest Period of Authentic History to the
Reign of Victoria; by the Rev. Rogers Ruding,
3rd edition, Corrected, Enlarged and Continued to the
Reign of her present Majesty, Etc., Etc., 3 vols.,
small 4to., full calf, London 1840; Vols. I and II,
Text; Vol. III, entirely Plates,
- FAMILIAE ROMANAE QUAE REPERIUNTUR IN ANTIQVIS NUMISMATIBUS
ABURBE CONDITA, Ad Tempora Diviaugusti ex Bibliotheca
Fulvi Ursini, Adiunctis Familiis XXX, Ex Libro Antoni
Augustini, small folio, full old calf, 1577,
- COINS OF ALL COUNTRIES. The current gold and silver coins of all
countries, their weight and fineness and their intrinsic
value in English money. With nearly 150 full-page plates
containing facsimiles of about 2000 coins. by Leopold C.
Martin of Her Majesty's Stationery Office, By Charles
Trubner, 8vo., contemporary full calf, gilt edges,
London 1863,

September 29th, 1920

Charles E. Lauriat Co.
Boston, Mass.

Attention Mr. Lauriat, Jr.

Dear Sir:

Thank you for your letter of September 28th, telling me of volumes which Mr. Field has offered to present to our library if we do not have them.

I am sorry to say that there is nothing on your list which we can use. I think we have all of the titles, either the same or as good editions and, in consequence, I am unable to avail myself of Mr. Field's kind offer.

For your information, may I say that unless they have value as incunabula or for their binding, most of the numismatic treatises published previous to about 1880-1890 have slight scientific value. The reason for this you will at once surmise - the introduction of the photographic process, previous to that time the illustrations had been more or less crude engravings of the coins with all the inaccuracies which such copying involves, especially when done from worn or imperfect coins. Much of the progress in Greek numismatics has been made since 1867 when Head's *Historia Numorum* appeared, this gave an accepted standard of reference, and growth since then has been on a sound foundation.

Please pardon my troubling you with these details but they will make you understand why the books on your list are no longer a great help to numismatists.

Very truly yours,

Secretary

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Boston, October 2, 1920.

The American Numismatic Society,

Dear Sirs:

I am in receipt of Mr. Noe's letter of September 29th, and want to thank you very much for the information he gave us in regard to Books on Coins previous to 1880, Etc. We assure you we are not the least bit troubled by the details he was interested enough to write.

It is only through learning from men who are authorities in their particular line of collecting, that we of the Book Trade gain all our knowledge.

No bookman could pretend to be as well versed in every subject as a man who makes a specialty of it, but a bookman is in an enviable position, if he has the acquaintance of men who make specialities of their subjects and the knowledge of these different men can be laid before him.

Naturally we regret that none of the books on the list were wanted by the Society, but will not be discouraged, and if we have books we think will interest you, we will write you again, if Mr. Field requests us to.

Thanking you again for your letter, we remain

Yours very truly,

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Sidney P. Noe, Sec'y.
American Numismatic Society,
Broadway and 155th St.,
New York City.

My dear Sir:

I have been asked by Mr. Foster Stearns of our city
to write you in regard to an old book on Coins, which he has
noticed in our stock.

The title is HISTOIRE METALLIQUE DE LA REPUBLIQUE DE
HOLLANDE, Par Mr. Bizot. This work is complete in three 8vo.
volumes, printed at Amsterdam in 1688, and contains a large
number of well engraved plates on copper.

The books are substantially and neatly bound in a fine
contemporary vellum.

Mr. Stearns picked this up in a library of French books,
which we have been selling, and he states that if it is not
already in your collection, he will be glad to present it to
your Society.

I shall be glad to hear from you regarding this.

Yours very truly,

S. O. Byrson.

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October 30th, 1920

Charles E. Lauriat Company
385 Washington Street
Boston, Mass.

Attention - Mr. B.O. Bezanson

Dear Mr. Bezanson:

Your letter of October 28th is before me.
I am very sorry indeed to be under the necessity
of writing that the title you submit is already
to be found in our library. I hope you will
be more fortunate on another occasion, and I cer-
tainly appreciate your kindness in calling to my
attention Mr. Stearns' offer to present this to
our collection. I am sending him a note of thanks.

Very truly yours,

Secretary

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See - Frick - W. Ogden